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APAC Minutes - October 1, 1996

Members present: Danielson, Chair; Bolton, Brown, Brunton, Enz Finken, Fasick, Klenk, Krause, Pemble, Pietruszewski, Roberts, Roy, Sanderson, Shaker, Strong

Announcements:

Kathleen Enz Finken, Mary Roberts and Tami Pietruszewski were introduced to the committee. Enz Finken and Roberts were newly elected to serve as the Arts and Humanities faculty representatives. Pietruszewski is the student representative.

1. Health Services Administration - Bachelor of Science Degree - Hearing

Dick Bynum fielded questions from APAC members. This degree was created from an 18-member committee with assistance from experts in the Health Care field. MSU would have minimal competition in delivering this degree as Concordia limits their enrollment to 15 students and MSU students are not allowed to participate in their program. Winona State University offers this degree to approximately 43 students. It is not offered at North Dakota institutions and only one institution in South Dakota offers it to 65 full-time and 10 part-time students. The MSU degree hopes to attract 40-45 students. This 65-credit degree will utilize existing health courses and four new courses. An additional faculty position will be required for teaching, supervising internships and working with the community. There would not be a student application process or minimum GPA requirement as there are 16 credit hours of liberal studies required. An application process may be implemented if there is a popular demand for the program. Students who earn this degree should find many entry-level management type employment opportunities within the Health Management Organizations (HMO) and other group practices in Minnesota as the health care industry is growing.

Bynum requested removing HLTH 326: Epidemiology as an elective. A support letter for Hlth 418: Medical Health Care Law, from Larry Nordick was distributed to members.

Fasick stated the course requirements listed under Item 4 of HLTH 414: Health Services Planning and Evaluation (demonstrating a positive attitude and adjustment factors for borderline grades) should be more clearly defined.

The Health Services Administration degree will be acted on at the 10/15/96 APAC meeting.

2. Accounting Department

Pemble moved. Pietruszewski seconded to approve adding the following Topics course numbers:

ACCT 190: Topics in Accounting (1-3 credits)
ACCT 290: Topics in Accounting (1-4 credits)
ACCT 390: Topics in Accounting (1-3 credits)

Motion to approve carried unanimously.

3. Policy for Consulting Faculty

Pemble moved. Pietruszewski seconded to approve the MSU policy for Consulting Faculty submitted by Judy Strong.

Strong stated the rules under section 7.16 of the MSUS regulations were still in effect according to the MnSCU office. The proposed MSU policy could be utilized not only for retired MSU faculty but for non-MSU faculty, visiting and consulting faculty and each situation would be negotiated separately. This policy should not conflict with the IFO agreement as the "Consulting faculty" would be courtesy appointments. The proposed MSU policy reads:

The MSU Consulting Faculty policy consists of appointment by the President upon request and recommendation of the sponsoring Department, Dean and Academic Vice President. Appointees shall have access to library facilities and appropriate working areas as negotiated in individual cases.

Motion carried unanimously

Meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.

Gloria Riopelle